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Transmitted herewith for filing is the continuing patent application of:

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**For:** SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES HAVING CONTACT PLUGS AND LOCAL  
INTERCONNECTS AND METHODS FOR MAKING THE SAME

**Enclosed are:**

- 13 pages of specification, 12 pages of claims, and an abstract
- 5 sheet(s) of drawings
- 2 pages of an Oath or Declaration
  - A copy of oath or declaration filed with the prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
- An assignment of the invention to: Micron Technology, Inc., a Recordation Cover Sheet, and a Recordal fee of \$40.00
- Power of Attorney by Assignee and Certificate by Assignee
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement.
- Form PTO-1449

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- assignment recordal fee are enclosed.
- Assignee for this application is or will be Micron Technology, Inc., and applicants request that this information be listed on the published application.
- The entire disclosure of the prior applications, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, are considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and are hereby incorporated by reference herein.
- This is a divisional application of U.S. Application No. 10/191,695 filed July 8, 2002, which is a divisional application of U.S. Application No. 09/875,421 filed June 5, 2001 (issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,479,377).
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